<u>**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**</u>

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~Method and~~ <u>A method and a</u> device <u>are provided</u> for detecting the occurrence of a malfunction upon movement of an ~~element (7)~~ <u>element</u> by ~~means of~~ a driving system. While the element is being moved, a difference ~~(curve A)~~ between a ~~predetermined, desired~~ <u>predetermined</u> value and an actual value is determined at regular intervals by means of a processor ~~(14,15,16,17)~~. ~~Furthermore, a~~ <u>A</u> derivative ~~(curve B) of said~~ <u>of the</u> difference is determined by ~~means of~~ the processor at regular ~~intervals, wherein said~~ <u>intervals. The</u> difference ~~and said~~ <u>and the</u> derivative both fluctuate ~~round~~ <u>around</u> an equilibrium value. ~~Following this,~~ <u>Subsequently,</u> only the values on one side of the equilibrium value of both the difference and the derivative are ~~taken. The values~~ <u>sampled. The sampled values</u> ~~of the difference~~ are multiplied ~~by the values of the derivative,~~ and the result ~~of the multiplication~~ is compared with a reference value by means of the processor. The occurrence of a malfunction is established if the result of the multiplication is higher than the reference value.